

REMARKS

The Examiner stated that the information disclosure statement filed September 15, 2001 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) because legible copies of certain documents were not included. Applicant has resubmitted the missing documents. The documents were apparently misplaced by the USPTO.

The Examiner objected to Figures 11 and 12. Applicant has submitted replacement sheets for Figures 11 and 12.

The Examiner rejected independent claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nakahara in view of Tamura *et al.*

Applicant has amended claim 15 to require that the steps be performed by an "HT I/O device." Neither Nakahara nor Tamura *et al.* disclose a Hyper Transport I/O device, much less a Hyper Transport I/O device that performs the steps of claim 15. Thus, Applicant believes that independent claim 15, together with dependent claims 16 – 18 are allowable.

On September 5, 2001, Applicant submitted a Request for Corrected Filing Receipt. The purpose of the request is to correct the filing date of the Application to July 13, 2001. On October 1, 2001, Applicant submitted a Second Request for Corrected Filing Receipt to correct the filing date of the Application to July 13, 2001. Please insure the filing date is corrected to read July 13, 2001.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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